

1) Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Jackson in the School Library.

Present: Laura Jackson, President
James MacFadden
Dorothy Harding
Patterson Green, Superintendent/Principal
Anthony DiPace, Business Manager

Absent: None

Excused: Helen Roberts, Vice – President
Kevin Kutzscher

Others Attending: Tarynna Fitzpatrick, Tiffany Canning, Jennifer Field, Barbara Handy, Tammy Behr, Tyler Bianchine, Kara VanArsdal, Marianna Achlaoug, Mark Russman, Arianna Russman, Brianna Russman, Patsy Nicosia, Mark Kiburz...

2) 72-Hour Waiver

A **motion** to waive the 72 hour notice to change the agenda, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 3:0.

3) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Monday, January 12, 2015 regular meeting were previously distributed to the Board for their review. A **motion** to approve the minutes as presented, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 3:0.

4) Reports

A) Business Manager/District Clerk

1. The internal claims auditor’s report was reviewed. The Board accepted the internal claims auditor’s report dated January 26, 2015.
2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer #6, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 3:0.
3. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Warrants # 32 and 34, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 3:0.
4. The comprehensive budget was reviewed.
5. The December 2014 Treasurer’s Report was reviewed.

6. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion to approve the following SEQR Resolution, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 3:0:

SEQR RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Sharon Springs Central School District (“Board”) is proposing to undertake a project consisting of the installation of an exterior emergency power generator, along with a 10 ft. by 10 ft. concrete pad, fencing, and associated electrical connections, at the K-12 school building located at 514 State Highway 20, Sharon Springs, New York 13459 (“the Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to fully comply with its obligations under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and the regulations thereunder with respect to the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully considered the nature and scope of the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the foregoing, the Board makes the following determinations:

1. The proposed action involves the installation of an exterior emergency power generator, along with a 10 ft. by 10 ft. concrete pad, fencing, and associated electrical connections at the District’s K-12 school building.
2. The proposed project represents maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing facility or structure within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(1); and/or alternatively the replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility in kind within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(2); and/or alternatively the construction or expansion of a primary or accessory/appurtenant, non-residential structure or facility involving less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor area within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(7); and/or alternatively a routine activity of an educational institution, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area, within the meaning of 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(8).
3. The proposed action will in no case have a significant adverse impact on the environment based on the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR § 617.7(c), and is not otherwise a Type I action as defined by 6 NYCRR § 617.4.
4. The proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5 and is therefore not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board finds and concludes that the proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5 and therefore is not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.

**7. EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADOPTING BOND RESOLUTION**

At a meeting of the Board of Education of the Sharon Springs Central School District, New York, duly held in Sharon Springs, New York on the 26th day of January, 2015:

Present: Laura Jackson, James MacFadden, Dorothy Harding

Absent: Helen Roberts, Kevin Kutzscher

Laura Jackson presented the following resolution moved that it be adopted:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED JANUARY 26, 2015 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SHARON SPRINGS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING NOT TO EXCEED \$118,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SERIAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF SCHOOL VEHICLES AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$118,000, LEVY OF TAX IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH SUM FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the qualified voters of the Sharon Springs Central School District, Sharon Springs, New York (the "School District"), at the annual meeting of such voters duly held on the 20th day of May, 2014, duly approved a proposition authorizing the issuance of serial general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$118,000 to finance the acquisition of school vehicles, the expenditure not to exceed \$118,000 from the Bus Purchase Reserve Fund and the levy of the necessary tax therefore; and

WHEREAS, the School District currently does not have a Bus Purchase Reserve Fund and, accordingly, no money will be expended from such Fund;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The School District shall acquire school vehicles at a maximum cost of \$118,000, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof, and as generally outlined to and considered by the voters of the School District at the annual meeting of May 20, 2014.

Section 2. The School District is hereby authorized to issue its serial general obligation bonds (the “Bonds”) in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$118,000 pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, in order to finance the class of objects or purposes described herein.

Section 3. The class of objects or purposes to be financed pursuant to this Resolution (the “Purpose”) is the acquisition of school vehicles.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) the maximum cost of the Purpose, as estimated by the Board of Education, is \$118,000, (b) no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the cost of the Purpose, and (c) the School District plans to finance the cost of the Purpose from funds raised by the issuance of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes hereinafter referred to.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the Purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivision 29 of Paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of the Purpose is five (5) years.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the sale of the Bonds, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer.

Section 7. The power to further authorize the issuance of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes, including renewal notes, and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of the

Bonds and bond anticipation notes, including the consolidation with other issues and the use of substantially level or declining debt service, subject to the provisions of this Resolution and the Local Finance Law, and to sell and deliver the Bonds and bond anticipation notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education. The President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to sign and the District Clerk is hereby authorized to attest any Bonds and bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this Resolution, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized to affix to such Bonds and bond anticipation notes the corporate seal of the School District.

Section 8. The faith and credit of the Sharon Springs Central School District, Sharon Springs, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and bond anticipation notes as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. There shall be levied annually on all taxable real property of the School District, a tax sufficient, to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable, taking into account aid received by the District from the State of New York.

Section 9. This Resolution shall constitute the declaration of the School District's "official intent" to reimburse expenditures authorized by Section 1 with proceeds of the Bonds and notes, as required by United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 10. This Resolution shall be published in full by the District Clerk together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the District. The validity of the Bonds or of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of the Bonds may be contested

only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the District is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this Resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 11. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

The Motion having been duly seconded by James MacFadden, it was adopted and the following votes were cast:

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Laura Jackson		Helen Roberts
James MacFadden		Kevin Kutzscher
Dorothy Harding		

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
 COUNTY OF SCHOHARIE)

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Sharon Springs Central School District, do hereby certify as follows:

1. A Meeting of the Board of Education of the Sharon Springs Central School District, State of New York, was duly held on January 26, 2015, and Minutes of said meeting have been duly recorded in the Minute Book kept by me in accordance with law for the purpose of recording the Minutes of meetings of said Board. I have compared the attached Extract with said Minutes so recorded and said Extract is a true copy of said Minutes and of the whole thereof insofar as said Minutes relate to matters referred to in said Extracts.

2. Said Minutes correctly state the time when said Meeting was convened and the place where such meeting was held and the members of said Board who attended said Meeting.

3. Public Notice of the time and place of said Meeting was duly given to the public and the news media in accordance with the Open Meetings Law, constituting Chapter 511 of the Laws of 1976 of the State of New York, and that the members of said Board had due notice of said Meeting and that the Meeting was in all respects duly held and a quorum was present and acted throughout.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have hereunto affixed the corporate seal of the Sharon Springs Central School District this 27th day of January, 2015.

District Clerk

[Seal]

B) Superintendent/Principal

The Superintendent/Principal’s Report was previously submitted to the Board for their review.

- Jennifer Field and Barbara Handy presented an overview of the fundraising planned for the European Trip.
- The NYS Regents is allowing exams to be postponed due to emergency closings.
- The NYS Regents conducted a surprise visit Monday, January 26th, 2015 and appeared to find all procedures acceptable.
- During the Regents Exam, a UPK student pulled the fire alarm on the second floor.

PERSONNEL

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Ethan Doak as the short term substitute for the 12 week FMLA Leave for Erika Wimmer, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 3:0. The leave will begin February 23, 2015 and end approximately May 11, 2015.

Certified short term substitutes for the first 30 days receive \$90/day. If beyond 30 days, then they are entitled to the per diem rate for Step 1 in Teacher Contract which is \$195.47/day. Once over 30 days, they would retroactively be paid the Step 1 teacher’s salary per diem rate. They also receive 1.5 sick days for every 30 calendar days while employed.

C) CSE

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the CSE Student Recommendations as presented, made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 3:0.

5) Privilege of the Floor

Arianna and Brianna Russman spoke in favor of the modified basketball coach, Jeri Kiburz.

6) Correspondence

All correspondence was previously distributed to the Board of Education.

7) Unfinished Business

No unfinished business was presented for discussion.

8) New Business

- A. The Board reviewed the following board policies:
 - 1. 7.15 Graduation Requirements (Second read of updates to policy)
 - 2. 7.16 Student Organizations
- B. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the following 2014 – 2015 Out of District Student Request, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 3:0:
Shylee Mitchell – Grade 9

9) Other

No other business was presented for discussion.

10) Executive Session

A **motion** to enter into executive session at 8:03 PM to discuss personnel issues, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 3:0.

The Board returned to regular session at 8:30 PM.

11) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 PM, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 3:0.

Anthony M. DiPace
District Clerk